THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Wednesday, the 7th August 1946.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at eleven of the clock, Mr. President (THE HON. SRI R. B. RAMAKRISHNA RAJU) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Recommendations of the Bhore Committee.

* 13 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Health and Medicine be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government of Madras have been required to submit their views on the various recommendations of what is known as the Bhore Committee Report;

(*b*) what steps are being taken to ascertain public opinion on the various recommendations before formulating their views;

(*c*) whether the Government of Madras have submitted their views or memorandum on the various points raised in the questionnaire or memorandum of the Bhore Committee; and

(*d*) whether the Government will be pleased to make their views available to the members of the Legislature?

THE HON. MRS. LAKSHMIPATHI :—" (*a*) The Government of India are holding a Conference at Simla to discuss some of the important recommendations of the Bhore Committee. I have been invited to attend the Conference.

" (*b*) The Bhore Committee's report has been published for general information and it is open to any one to represent his views to the Government.

" (*c*) No questionnaire or memoranda on the Bhore Committee's report has been received by this Government.

" (*d*) Copies of the orders issued with reference to recommendations of the Bhore Committee will be furnished to the Library of the Assembly Secretariat for the information of the members of the Legislature."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" With reference to answer to clause (*d*) of the question, may I ask the Hon. the Minister for Public Health and Medicine whether the report would not be circulated to hon. Members of the House? "

THE HON. MRS. LAKSHMIPATHI :—" Orders will be issued after the Simla Conference is held and after the report of the proceedings of the Simla Conference is to hand."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I take it then, Sir, that no action has been taken on any of the recommendations of the Bhore Committee till now?"

THE HON. MRS. LAKSHMIPATHI :—" The report cannot possibly be drawn up at this stage; it will be drawn up after the proceedings of the Conference. This will either be placed on the table of this House or made available to hon. Members through the Library of the Assembly."